

But let me repeat what I said at the outset, that which no man can deny, that Laurierism has ever opposed every move and every proposal that was designed to bind together in closer bonds of union our Great Dominion and the Mother Country. Laurierism has had a measure of success in their operations in the past when they have been able to carry on their work of spreading their poisonous gases from behind their favorite lines of torres vedras. For the moment they are attempting to carry on their operations from behind the shield of the Nationalist school—a school for which Laurierism is entirely responsible, as acknowledged and declared through the press and elsewhere by the ablest members of that school, who publicly assert before the world their position and publish, as they have, in the following words, that which Laurierism has not attempted and dare not attempt to deny:

“Even suppose it be true that the Nationalists’ resistance be inspired from hatred of England, at what school were we given such lessons of hatred and distrust? At the school of the Liberal party under the supreme inspiration and the immediate direction of Mr. Laurier.”

No province and no people should better understand our true condition than the good citizens of the Province of Manitoba. We have in the past had occasion to study Laurierism at the price of the great